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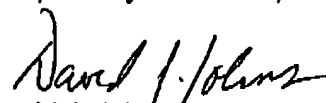
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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in  
connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 (4 pages)
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page in duplicate)

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